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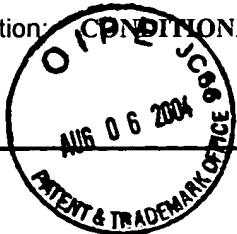

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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$474.00
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